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SUBJ: JONATHAN SPEAKS OUT ON MIDDLE EAST

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1. PRIME MINISTER CHIEF JONATHAN BORKE SILENCE ON
MIDDLE EAST IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY NOVEMBER 28 WITH
URGENT APPEAL TO ISRAEL TO WITHDRAW FROM ALL
OCCUPIED TERRITORY AS A FIRST STEP TOWARD PEACE.
HE SAID LESOTHO DID NOT QUESTION ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO
EXIST BUT WAS ALSO MINDFUL OF RIGHTS OF HOMELESS
PALESTINIANS. HE CONSIDERED THAT FRAMEWORK FOR PEACE
LAY IN UN RESOLUTIONS.

2. WITH EYE TO PROBABLE FUEL CUTS, JONATHAN
NOTED THAT NO HOUSEHOLD IN LESOTHO WOULD BE SPARED
FROM FUELING PINCH OF MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT.

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3. COMMENT. SUBSTANCE OF JONATHANS STATEMENT COMES AS NO SURPRISE BUT THERE IS NO CLUE WHY HE CHOSE THIS MOMENT TO SPEAK ON MIDDLE EAST. AS REPORTED REFTEL, THERE IS NO INDICATION LESOTHO INTENDS ABANDON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL.

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